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EDITORIAL

Now that the amalgamated Queen's and University Schools have eighty-four boys on the roll, and an excellent prospect of occupying the fine new buildings some time next term, we think that the time has come to start a School Magazine.

The object of this magazine is two-fold; first, to keep a record of the doings of the boys at the School, which will not only be valued by them after they leave, but also will give the generation that follows them an example to copy and a standard to maintain in work and in play; and, second, to afford the Old Boys a means of keeping in touch with their old School and their old School-fellows.

We shall, therefore, with these objects in view, endeavour to record faithfully all doings, even of the smallest boys, which may tend to bring credit to them and to the school; and further, in some cases, when a boy leaves the School, to give a summary of his School career, and, as far as possible, to keep in touch with him, and note his progress in the battle of life.

We also intend to encourage literary tastes by publishing stories or descriptive articles written by the boys themselves; and we hope, in subsequent issues, to make a feature of the McGill Letter and R. M. C. Letter.

SCHOOL NOTES

The following boys joined us this term:

- T. Corsan, Form V. (boarder), from Fernie, B. C.
J. E. Mathews, Form V. (day-boy), from Bradfield College, England.
G. E. Ambery, Form IV. (day-boy), from Trinity College School, Port Hope.
W. Bealey, Form IV. (boarder), from Portland, Oregon.
R. Hobson, Form IV. (day-boy), from Collegiate School.
V. R. Sutherland, Form IV. (day-boy), from Mr. Tuckwell's School, Winnipeg.
E. Rand, Form IV. (boarder), New Westminster, B. C.
A. Wyld, Form III. (boarder), from Portland, Oregon.
W. Dale, Form III. (boarder), from Port Hammond, B. C.
D. C. Shaw, Form III. (boarder), from Extension, B. C.
A. Cumine, Form III. (boarder), from Victoria, B. C.
R. L. Challoner, Form II. (boarder), from Victoria, B. C.
J. C. Maher, Form I. (day-boy), from Victoria.
J. Matson, Form I. (day-boy), from Victoria.
T. Matson, Form I. (day-boy), from Victoria.
F. Holland, Form I. (day-boy), from Victoria.
J. S. Williams, Form I. (day-boy), from Victoria.
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The progress of the new buildings has been watched with much interest all this term. Thanks to the long-continued fine weather, the brick-work has not been delayed, and is now practically finished. In fact, by the time that this magazine appears, it is highly probable that the roof will be in course of construction.

The election of officers for the various positions connected with the football teams resulted as follows: Captain, W. J. Bowser (unanimous); Secretary, M. Bell-Irving; Captain of the under 16 team, E. C. Gribble; Committee, K. Corsan and S. McGuigan.

The half-term examinations at the Upper School resulted as follows: Fifth Form—First, Bowser; second, Rich. Fourth Form—First, Spencer; second, Shildrick. At the Middle School, Tatlow was top of the Third Form, with D. Bell-Irving second; while the Lower School results were: Second Form—First, Woodward ii; second, Palmer. First Form—First, Jones; second, Holland.

We were very sorry that Mr. Sparks injured his knee at football, and, being forbidden to play again this season, has had to resign the position of Captain of the Victoria Rugby Football team.

FOUNDATION DAY

October 7th, 1908, will be regarded for many years to come as the most memorable day in the history of the School, for on that day was laid the corner-stone of the new building at Mount Tolmie.

In brilliant sunshine the ceremony was performed by the Hon. Richard McBride, Premier of British Columbia. In spite of the fact that no cars were available on that line, a large number of the invited guests assembled on the grounds. The Cadet Corps, forty-five strong, marched out in clouds of dust, and, forming up in line, received the Premier on his arrival, who complimented the boys on their appearance and steadiness.

A platform had been erected at the south-east corner of the building, and from this the Warden, Rev. W. W. Bolton, opened the ceremony with the impressive service appointed by the Church of England, including a prayer for the future welfare of the School.

Then as the stone was lowered to its bed, the Bursar placed in the cavity a copper canister containing a set of the current coins and stamps of Canada, and the Premier, tapping the stone with a mallet, declared it to be "well and truly laid."

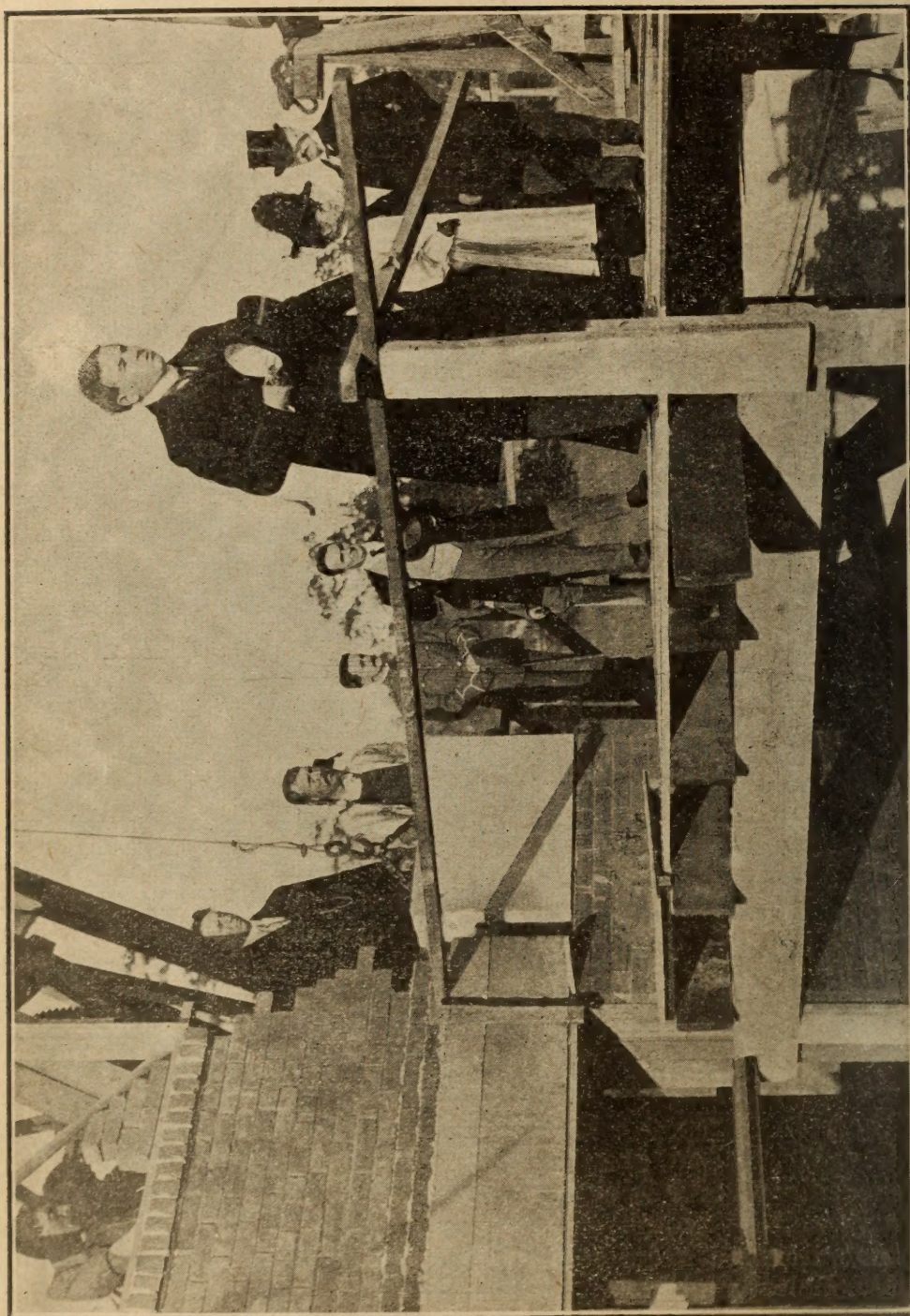
The inscription is as follows:

This Foundation Stone was laid by
The Hon. Richard McBride,
Premier of British Columbia,
October 7th, 1908.

and the names of the three founders beneath.

Premier McBride then said that he felt that much honour had been conferred upon him by the request that he perform the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of an institution, which he was sure would be a credit to Victoria, to the Province, and to those by whom the institution had been founded. If the glorious weather, he continued, which we are now enjoying can be taken as an omen of the prosperity of the School, then truly we must at once conclude that success has already been achieved. There has been during past years, under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Bolton, growing up in Victoria an institution of which the citizens of this city, and, indeed, of the Province at large, may well be proud. There are other institutions which have been doing a great work in the education of the young, but Mr. Bolton and his associates have also been doing their share in the upbuilding of the country's youth, and to them every credit must be given.

He expressed the hope that the new School would at no distant date vie with the leading Schools of the country, and



HON. RICHARD MCBRIDE SPEAKING.
FOUNDATION DAY, 1908.

he trusted that the parents of the boys who are yearly being sent to Schools outside this Province, would appreciate the fact that right here in Victoria will soon be an institution which should meet with their heartiest support, and at which an education such as every young British Columbian should possess could be obtained. If the efficiency of the youthful Cadets whom he had had the pleasure of reviewing was any evidence of the thoroughness of the training given by Mr. Bolton and his associates, he could look ahead to the future progress of the School with the utmost confidence. The magnificent location, the splendid architectural beauty of the proposed buildings, showed clearly that those behind the enterprise had been up and doing. It was with the utmost pleasure that he referred to the efforts of Mr. J. S. H. Matson, to whom, he understood, was due the successful accomplishment of the enterprise, and to each and everyone of the gentlemen interested in this most worthy institution, he heartily wished every success, and to the assistants and pupils a most profitable future.

Hon. Dr. Young, Minister of Education, seconded the Premier's congratulations and good wishes. It had been his good fortune to keep close account, during the past two years, of educational matters in this Province and throughout the Dominion, and stated that British Columbia could be rightly termed the banner Province in matters educational. In the past two years British Columbia students have taken the highest honours in the McGill Matriculation Examinations, capturing the Governor-General's silver medal in both years. Out of a total of eighty-eight successful students in that examination, no less than sixty-seven were from this Province, and of these forty-two were Victoria students. Last year there were about 250 British Columbian students taking University courses, and it was a matter of great congratulation that in a Province so sparsely settled as this, there should be so many fitting themselves for an University career. He praised Mr. Bolton, Mr. Barnacle, and Mr. Harvey, and expressed his belief that under their capable direction the University School for Boys would reach a high standard and become an institution in which every educationalist could have the greatest confidence. The functions of the modern Private School have shown great change from the earlier years. Much that they now teach is not only academical, but also national, and he hoped that at no distant day the splendid corps of Cadets which he saw before him would have its counterpart in the Public Schools of the Province, thus aiding in building up the nation on the lines suggested by Lord Roberts. The Rev. Mr. Bolton, he concluded, has the right to the heartiest co-operation of the public of Victoria and the Province.

At this point in the proceedings Mrs. McBride, who accompanied the Premier, was the recipient, on behalf of the boys of the School, of a beautiful bouquet, tied with black and red ribbons, at the hands of Cadet Donald Thomson.

Rev. Mr. Bolton, in expressing his thanks to those who attended the ceremony, referred to the time, twenty years ago, when he had endeavoured to interest the public of Victoria in just such an institution as the present, and paid the highest tribute to Mr. Matson for the unswerving kindness and business ability which had made his early dream an accomplished fact. This, he declared, is only a beginning, but in time we will make it an institution of which we may all be proud. We propose to turn out young men who shall be first Christian men, then manly men, and, thirdly, capable men, who will be a credit to Canada. We want to have among our alumni in years to come, a Chief Justice of British Columbia, perhaps a Minister of Education, and, we hope, a Premier.

After the ceremony, tea was served in a marquee on the grounds.

THE NEW SCHOOL

The new buildings of the University School are situated on the south-western slope of Mount Tolmie. The School is about three miles from the centre of the town, but is reached by a car-line, on which a car will be run past the gates twice a day, as a convenience for day-boys. From the School building you get a fine view over the whole city of Victoria, while from the summit of that rugged rock, Mount Tolmie, which stands isolated amidst broad farms, there is an unequalled prospect of the Straits of Juan de Fuca, the snow-capped Mount Baker and the Olympic Mountains. These, especially at sunset, are a glorious panorama of ever-changing purple, pink and gold, which, in contrast with the clear waters of the Strait, form a picture of exquisite beauty.

The surrounding country is fairly flat, except for a few hills near the water, Mount Tolmie and Cedar Hill, which is of the same rugged nature as Mount Tolmie, but much higher, being at least 600 feet in height. The country is pleasantly diversified with groves of oak-trees, and is well suited for cross-country runs, skirmishing, and paper-chases.

The grounds are fairly spacious, covering fifteen acres, and are only a mile and a quarter from Cadboro Bay, the best bathing beach near Victoria. The grounds slope away from Mount Tolmie Avenue, along which is a fringe of noble oaks, and a portion is being already ploughed and levelled sufficient for two football fields and several cricket pitches. In front of

the building and a little to the east is a well of pure water, which is pumped to a tank at the top of the house. Every one who has visited this ideal and picturesque site must agree that it must be a healthy and invigorating spot.

The main building is of red brick and concrete, three stories in height, and 109 feet in frontage by 75 in depth at the wings. On the ground floor there are six class-rooms of ample dimensions, a small library, and a playroom 24 feet square. On the next floor are four large dormitories, holding from ten to fourteen boys each, with five bath-rooms, and studies and bed-rooms for the Principals. The top floor is arranged in a similar way, with accommodation for the matrons and staff. To crown all is a huge cistern of one thousand gallons capacity, in a glass-roofed cupola, with hydrants on each floor in case of fire, besides outside escapes. The house will be heated by steam, and provided with electric light throughout.

Behind the School is a large frame building connected with it by two covered ways. This contains the dining-hall, which will accommodate one hundred and fifty boys, and the kitchen and pantries. At the other end are the lavatories and changing-room, with its lockers and shower-baths. A large gymnasium is contemplated, and will probably be built adjoining the covered way leading to the changing-room.

The building and grounds will certainly eclipse anything that has ever been attempted in this Province before, and ought to become the leading School of the West.

G. E. AMBERY.

FOOTBALL MATCHES

University School vs. Collegiate School

Our first match this season was a game with the Collegiate School on the Jubilee Hospital Grounds on Wednesday, October 21st.

It was Trafalgar Day, and a notice appeared on the board that morning, to the effect that Mr. Barnacle expected that every boy would do his duty. That evening someone added in large characters the inscription, "WE DID IT!"

Both sides appeared in the colours of their respective Schools, and Mr. Newcombe, the referee, lost no time in starting the game. Each School sent a large contingent of supporters, who lined the touch-lines, and did their best to encourage their champions with stentorian bellowings. The Collegiate had the kick-off, and from the start their well-packed scrum managed to secure the ball every time, and heel it out to their backs. But our backs knew something about tackling,

and Bolton at full-back was equal to every emergency, while Shildrick gained ground by well-directed kicks into touch. Towards the end of the first half the black and red began to wake up, and Bowser, receiving the ball from a throw-in, sprinted down the touch-line and secured our first try, which, however, he failed to convert. It is well known that nothing succeeds like success; accordingly seven minutes later the performance was repeated, Gribble, after a good run, touching the ball down behind their line. Again the kick at goal failed, and half-time was then declared, with the score at 6—0, in our favour.

On resuming, the University, now playing down-hill, seemed to relax a little from over-confidence, while the Collegiate entered the game with great determination. After a few minutes' play, Grant, their fast three-quarter, receiving a pass, rushed through the opposing backs and secured a try, amidst tremendous cheers from the wearers of the navy and Cambridge blue. They were roused to even wilder enthusiasm five minutes later, when the same player, being tackled, passed to Proctor, who secured a try beneath the posts, from which a goal was kicked, leaving the Collegiate leading by 8—6.

The University "rooters," led by Captain Cullin, now redoubled their exertions, and every man on the team certainly did his duty and a little bit over. Yard by yard the ball crept nearer the Collegiate line, and with deafening howls is rushed to within a few feet of it; then McGuigan is over, but his feet are unluckily in touch, and it is no try.

By this time the University forwards are getting the ball in the scrum; out it comes to Rich, then straight to Bowser, but he is a marked man, and passes to Gribble, and he to Shildrick, and the day is ours. This time Bowser makes assurance doubly sure by adding the major point, and a most exciting game ends in our favour by 11 points to 8.

Our back line was quite good for the first match of the season, and Rich at half did very well indeed. The forwards were better on the loose than in the scrum, but worked hard, M. Bell-Irving and McGuigan being most conspicuous.

The University team was as follows: Full-back, A. G. Bolton; Three-quarters, W. J. Bowser (Capt.), K. Corsan, E. C. Gribble and D. Shildrick; Halves, S. Rich and C. P. Otter; Forwards, M. Bell-Irving, R. Bell-Irving, T. Corsan, G. E. Ambery, D. K. Irwin, S. McGuigan, R. F. Price and E. Rand.

University School vs. High School

This match was played on our ground on October 28th. Besides our own supporters there was a fair sprinkling from the High School and the Collegiate School. It was quite re-

freshening to hear our opponents of a week ago shouting, "Now then, University, play up!" Mr. Moresby had kindly promised to referee, but as he did not come up on time, Mr. Barnacle officiated till half-time.

The High School won the toss, and preferred to play the first half up-hill. McGuigan kicked off amidst loud cheering and shouts of, "School, Schoo-o-o-o-l!" For some time the play was fast and the tackling keen, McGuigan and Malcolm Bell-Irving following up finely. All the forwards must follow up in like fashion; they must be on the ball the whole time.

By hard work the forwards got the ball to within a couple of yards of the High School line, and a try seemed certain; indeed, McGuigan, who shines in a "line-out," had very hard lines, the ball just going into touch in goal.

At this stage of the game it seemed as if we were going to win, for the High School had no combination at all amongst the backs. In fact, I think there would have been a different tale to tell if our three-quarters had got in their passing and running instead of kicking into touch. Really it looked as if they thought that the High School were too big for them. There is a time to kick into touch, and there is a time to run and pass. University School must not kick so much in their opponents' twenty-five; they must get over the line!

But let me continue to describe the game. From a spectator's point of view, it was very ragged and uninteresting; fumbling, passing forward, and that everlasting kicking into touch. At half-time the score was—High School, nil; University School, nil.

During the interval it was found that Kenneth Corsan had received a kick on the hip, and was not allowed to take any further part in the match. This was hard lines on our backs, for it left only three three-quarters to mark four. It was not deemed wise to weaken the forwards.

In the second half the High School half-back seemed to be getting the ball to his three-quarters better, and Gribble, Rich and Bowser had some hard tackling to do. They did it well, especially Gribble.

But the High School were not to be denied—they were following up well in the forward line, and one of these dribbled the ball, and cleverly picked it up and dashed over our line; the kick at goal failed.

Very shortly after this Gribble, being hard pressed, tried to kick over his head, but the ball, which was now very slippery, travelled towards his own goal, and was immediately snapped up by one of the High School three-quarters, who had a clear field, and easily scored. Again the kick at goal failed.

By this time the supporters of the black and red were feeling anxious, and by renewed cries of "Schoo-o-o-l!" tried to instil the "never-give-up-until-you're-dead" spirit into their representatives. They cheered to some purpose, for our fellows were pressing the High School again. Rich, who was working hard at half, secured the ball and passed to Bowser, who on being collared transferred to Shildrick, who swerved neatly past his opponent, and succeeded in scoring amidst loud yells from the side-line. Bowser failed at goal.

"Schoo-o-o-l!" there was still time! The ball was travelling wildly from one end of the field to the other, but whilst it was in our twenty-five one of the High School made a mark, from which a goal resulted. It was a good kick, considering the state of the ball. From now till the end the High School had the upper hand, and scored twice more, a goal resulting from one try. The final score was—High School, 17 points; University, 3 points.

It was a hard-fought game, but in the second half the High School three-quarters were not marked. Perhaps it would have been better if we had strengthened our three-quarter-line at the expense of the forwards. However, next time we expect better things from the "Schoo-o-o-l!"

J. C. B.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

An "under fourteen" match was played with the Collegiate School on Friday, October 9th, at the Jubilee Hospital Grounds. Our team contained two boys from the Upper School, while the rest were drawn from the Middle and Lower in about equal proportions. Both teams had some very juvenile players, but on the whole the Collegiate had the heavier fifteen. The University won the toss and played down-hill against a slight wind; the weather conditions were favourable, but the ground slightly hard.

The play at first was very even, but after many scrums the Collegiate at last got the ball out to their wing, who scored a good try, which was not converted.

This seemed to put more go into our team, Woodward in particular playing a good game, and tackling everything in sight, regardless of size. It was not long before Spencer got over their line under the posts, but as Rogers failed at the kick, the score at half-time was three points all.

In the second half the University boys were playing up well, but the weight of the other team was beginning to have its effect, and in spite of gallant efforts the Collegiate succeeded in adding a second try. The kick again failed, and at the call

of time the score was two tries to one; six points to three, in their favour.

The match was keenly contested, and showed that quite small boys can play as hard and tackle as pluckily as their seniors. Woodward was the most conspicuous on the three-quarter line, but Walker and Spencer deserve credit for their efforts. Tatlow worked like a steam-engine all through the game, and did yeoman service for his side. John Hartley and Challoner also played well.

The line-up was as follows: Full-back, J. Hartley; Three-quarters, Woodward ii, Challoner, Morton and J. Rogers; Halves, C. Spencer and J. Tatlow; Forwards, J. Walker, N. Robertson, B. Worsfold, D. Inverarity, D. Thomson, Cumine, Burton and Henderson.

THE CADET CORPS

The following notices relative to No. 170 Cadet Corps appeared in Company Orders No. 4, September 9, 1908:

Paragraph 5. Extract from District Order 106, August 14th, 1908:

R. V. Harvey, Esq., is hereby appointed Cadet Instructor to No. 170 University School Cadet Corps, Victoria, B. C.

Paragraph 6. Lieut. W. J. Bowser will be Acting-Captain pending his appointment from Ottawa, and will command the Company, vice H. C. V. Macdowall, retired.

Paragraph 7. The following non-commissioned officers will be Acting-Lieutenants pending their appointments from Ottawa:

Sergeant K. Corsan, vice J. H. Roberts, retired.

Sergeant H. Hill-Tout, vice W. J. Bowser, promoted.

Paragraph 8. To be Sergeants: Corporals D. Shildrick and R. F. Price.

To be Corporals: Lance-Corporals R. Bell-Irving, G. Bolton and M. Bell-Irving.

To be Lance-Corporals: Cadets S. McGuigan, C. Bailey and R. Hobson.

Paragraph 9. To be Bugler: Cadet W. Bealey.

To be Drummer: Cadet J. Decker.

Musketry Instruction

The Cadet Corps having obtained permission from Colonel Hall to use the Drill-Hall for musketry practice with gallery ammunition every Monday afternoon, full advantage has been taken of this privilege; not less than thirty-six Cadets marching down town and shooting every week. Mr. Barnacle has offered a cup for the best average during the term, and already a decided improvement has been noted in marksmanship, the

average increasing from 9 out of a possible 25 at the first practice to 13.8 on the fifth occasion.

The best scores have been: Inverarity, 24; M. Bell-Irving, Bagshawe and Woodward, 23; R. Bell-Irving, 22 (twice), and numerous scores of 20 and 21.

It has been noticed that the smaller boys often make as good scores as their elders, and accordingly a series of matches has been arranged between the Upper and Middle Schools. On the first occasion, October 12th, the juniors were victorious by a score of 124 against 123, the teams being eight men each; but the Upper took the next two matches with scores of 126 and 142, respectively.

Interest is also kept up by inter-section competitions, for the best five scores in each section.

Furthermore, by District Order 104 (1), August 6th, 1908, the Clover Point Rifle Range was placed at the disposal of the three local Cadet Corps every Saturday morning. For the first few weeks our boys had the range to themselves, but we hope next term at latest to be able to arrange matches between the three corps.

In order to ascertain as quickly as possible who were the best shots in the School, the privilege of firing at the range was at first restricted to those who made the highest scores at the Drill-Hall. This brought about a keen competition, for the range practice, besides being of far more military value, is a most enjoyable way of spending a fine morning, and, moreover, there was the additional inducement that those who shot at the range obtained leave to go down town in the afternoon, which is otherwise not allowed.

Sergeant Clarke and Mr. Harvey attend all these practices, and as a rule about eight Cadets are allowed to go.

Here again the improvement has been quite remarkable; Corporal M. Bell-Irving at 200 yards scored 26 and 31 at the third and fourth practices, respectively, while Captain Bowser made 30 and 32 in successive weeks. A regular rifle team has now been chosen, but every Cadet has still a chance to get a place in it, for the lowest scorer on each Saturday drops out, and the Cadet making the highest score at the Drill-Hall takes his place in the eight on the following Saturday.

The team, with the average of each Cadet up to October 24th, is as follows:

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| Capt. W. J. Bowser: | Average at 200 yards..... | 24 |
| Corpl. M. Bell-Irving: | “ “ | 23.5 |
| Lance-Corpl. S. McGuigan: | “ “ | 23.5 |
| Corpl. R. Bell-Irving: | “ “ | 18.0 |
| Cadet S. Rich: | “ “ | 17.7 |
| Colour-Sergt. E. C. Gribble: | “ “ | 16.7 |
| Cadet D. Bell-Irving: | “ “ | 14.5 |

The eighth place is left vacant, as mentioned above. A beginning has been made at the 500 yards range, but we hope to devote more time to this and the 600-yards next term. The Collegiate School put in an appearance lately, and we hope to arrange a series of inter-School matches both at the range and at the Drill-Hall.

We hope to equip the Company with more satisfactory head-gear next year.

Several of the junior boys are taking up semaphore work, and one or two will make very fair signallers for their age, if they take pains and practise.

Rapid firing was introduced lately at the Drill-Hall, and on the first occasion Corporal M. Bell-Irving made three bulls and an inner in 30 seconds.

The Lower School are having a weekly drill, and their "Company" is over thirty strong. The Sergeants are: Worsfold, Helmcken, Whittome and Woodward ii.

We have now been supplied with two more Ross Rifles for use at the range, so we have four weapons for the eight to practise with, which will be a great saving of time. Moreover, the two latest arrivals are of the new pattern, with improved sights.

VALETE, COMITES!

H. C. V. Macdowall was entered as a boarder at the Queen's School in September, 1902, and holds the distinction of having been at the School for a longer period without interruption than any boy now here, and, furthermore, was in the top form of the School during the whole six years. He won more prizes than we have space to mention, besides passing the High School Entrance Examination at an early age. He was the first and only Editor of the Queen's School Gazette, and held that office for three years. He was a prominent member of both the cricket and football teams, being a useful change bowler, and a light but clever half or three-quarter back, and the best drop-kick in the School. In the various plays acted by the boys, he always took a leading part, whether they were in English or French, his last performance, as "Bob Acres" in the "Rivals," being very creditable. When the Cadet Corps was organized in 1907, he was given the position of Captain, his commission from Ottawa dating from 26th October, 1907, and he commanded the Company until he left last June, having

successfully passed the Entrance Examination to the Royal Military College at Kingston, where he is now a Cadet.

W. J. Pearse came to the University School in 1906, and only left last June, after successfully passing his McGill Matriculation. In work he was exceptionally good, and all the time he was here he stood at the top of his class. He was a member of both the cricket and football teams; in the latter game he played three-quarters, and was a very fast player. We expect to hear great things of him from McGill shortly.

T. Brown came to us a year ago last Easter. He is best remembered by his prowess on the football field and the running track. He was a good three-quarters, and one of the best all-round on the team. He took part in all the Templeman Cup matches last season. He was also the best runner the School has ever had, winning the Half-Mile against all the other city Schools last May, besides many other prizes. He was in the fifth form all the time he was here.

R. F. Winch, after attending the Queen's School for five years, came to this School in 1907, and left last April. His chief forte was football; he was captain of the XV., and our strongest back, being quite invaluable in the matches with the heavy High School team.

J. H. Roberts was at the Queen's School during the summer term of 1907, and helped their XI. to win the Nelson Cup; he also took the bat for the highest average, and was the runner-up for the Championship Cup (won by Fred Foster) in the School sports. He came to the University School in September in time to play against his old School in football. He was the best forward on the team, and was most useful in the Templeman Cup matches. In the summer term of this year he was elected vice-captain of the cricket XI., and in a match with the Garrison took three wickets at a very small cost. He was Lieutenant of the Cadet Corps during his last term.

R. W. Dickinson entered the Queen's School in April, 1906. He played three-quarters on the Rugby team, and was also a member of the cricket XI. In the Christmas term of 1906 he was made Librarian, and filled that office very capably until he left. He was one of the first sergeants in the Cadet Corps, and later Lieutenant. He took the fourth form prize at Christmas, 1907, and left in the middle of May to take a post in the Bank of Montreal in his native town of New Westminster.

C. D. Harrison was a boarder at the Queen's School from the very beginning in 1898, and was there fully eight years. He promised to make an excellent half-back, but unfortunately broke his collar-bone in 1906, which put him out of the game. In cricket he was quite prominent, being a remarkably steady and clever bowler, while his tremendous reach enabled him to

get in some very big hits. He was Colour-Sergeant in the Cadet Corps.

OLD BOYS' COLUMN

Note.—After each boy's name the date is given in brackets on which he left the Queen's or the University School.

J. Holland ('06) is in the Fifth Form at Haileybury, England; S. F. Sweeny ('02) is leaving Haileybury at Christmas, and returning to Canada; R. Ker ('08) has just entered that School.

F. Waterfall ('08) has just been entered at a Private School at Ealing, near London, where there are at present his brother, C. Waterfall ('06), H. Roberts ('06), R. Archibald ('01), and M. S. Hayes ('06).

R. W. Dickinson ('08) has joined the staff of the Bank of Montreal, in New Westminster, which already includes R. Baker ('02) and H. Harrison ('05).

F. Foster ('07) has been made prefect of St. Andrew's College, Toronto, where he is also Secretary of the Athletic Association. J. G. Thomson ('06) is at the same School.

R. H. Tupper ('06) is Captain of his year at the Royal Naval College, Osborne, Isle of Wight.

Ivor Jackson ('07) and the two Colemans ('07) are at Uppingham School, England.

W. J. Pearse ('08) is taking the first year in Arts at McGill University, Montreal.

B. L. Sawers ('06) and G. Farrell ('05) are taking the first year in Arts at the Vancouver McGill College.

A. B. Irving ('08) and H. C. V. Macdowall ('08) are Cadets at the Royal Military College, at Kingston, Ont.

R. F. Winch ('08), K. Bryan ('08), and C. D. Harrison ('08) are working in offices in Vancouver.

J. McCaul ('04) is a prefect at Upper Canada College, and a member of both the football and hockey teams. J. Burns ('06) and E. G. Langley ('07) are at the same School.

OUR MCGILL LETTER

301 Prince Arthur Street,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Mr. Barnacle,—I have been leaving my letter until I had some news of the College and of my course to give you. The session opened on the 21st of September; there is a large enrollment of Freshmen this year, 210 in Applied Science, 80 in Arts, and about 80 in Medicine. I am going in for a double course in Arts and Law.

The College buildings and grounds are splendid; the Macdonald Engineering Building, which has just been completed, is a magnificent erection.

I like it here very much; the fellows are splendid. You would be surprised at the number of Englishmen here. There are a number of Victoria and Vancouver men also, several of whom I knew—Goldie Anderson and Gibbins from the Vancouver McGill, and Bannerman and Bob Green from the Victoria High School are among them.

The Rugby they play here is the Inter-Collegiate game; it is a mixture of American and Canadian Rugby. I don't like it nearly so well as ours. I do hope our boys will get a good team this year, and wipe out the Schools in Victoria and Vancouver.

I wish you would tell the Old Boys that I should like to hear from any of them. I am very busy, or I would write first.

Yours sincerely,

W. J. PEARSE.

HISTORY OF THE TWO SCHOOLS

Part I. The Queen's School

There are still a few boys at the University School whose memories will carry them back to the founding of the old Queen's School in Vancouver, ten years ago.

This institution was opened in 1898 by Mr. H. W. Colebrook, at the corner of Georgia and Bute streets, and among the boys who attended in the opening term, the names of Bell-Irving, Harrison, Kinmond and Stoess are still familiar to many of us here. Two years later, when Mr. Harvey came out from England to join Mr. Colebrook's staff, the School numbered over sixty boys. Owen Sawers was head-boy, and captained the Rugby fifteen, which, even at that early date, played and defeated the Collegiate boys in a well-fought game at Brockton Point. In 1901 Mr. Colebrook left Vancouver, and Mr. Harvey took over about 30 of the junior boys. But another two years brought the numbers up again, and in 1904 a new building was occupied at 1600 Barclay street. Cricket matches were not yet possible, for lack of local opponents of our own calibre, and Rugby was not played again until the end of 1905, but the Athletic Sports were held every year at the end of the Summer term. In 1905 the School was strong enough to play a regular series of cricket matches, under the captaincy of C. W. Stoess, winning four (including two with the Collegiate), losing two, and drawing one.

An addition was built to the dining-room in January, and in the same term the School "Gazette" was started, which was issued regularly up to the time of leaving Vancouver. At Christmas, 1905, we gave two plays at the Speech-Day, one of which was in French. Our first season at Rugby resulted in two victories over the Collegiate School, while with the Vancouver High School we won three games and lost five.

In the Summer term of 1906 we entered our cricket eleven for the Nelson Cup, but were unsuccessful, the trophy going to the High School. In the Christmas term we managed to defeat the University School at Rugby, and at the Speech-Day gave a very creditable performance of "The Rivals."

The early part of 1907 was notable for the completion of a new wing to the School building, and by the commencement of regular military drill, which eventually led to the formation of the Cadet Corps in the following October. In the Summer term we were successful at cricket, carrying off the Nelson Cup against the High School and West End Clubs. We again beat our old rivals of the Collegiate by a narrow margin, but were badly defeated by Mr. Barnacle's team. At Christmas the Barclay Street School was closed, and in January the Queen's School re-opened in Victoria, with a view to the amalgamation with the University School, which took place last August.

**AN UNPUBLISHED FRAGMENT FROM THE VOYAGES OF SIR
JOHN MAUNDEVILLE, A. D. 1322**

. . . Now to the eastward of the land of the Khan of Tartary lieth the sea of Ocean, the which hath no man crossed, saving only the present writer and his company, and of the marvels we beheld on the farther side thereof I will now set forth the true history.

Having departed from the island of Zipangi we sailed with a fair wind for many hundreds of leagues, and came at last to land where there was a great city and a fair harbour, all encompassed with high houses and palaces of stone; and the name of this city in our tongue signifieth the City of Victory, but some say that it was so called after an ancient queen of that land. And the people of that land are for the most part white, but there are many of the men of Cathay, and of the men of Zipangi, and of the men of Hind, but the people of the city love them not, and some would fain cast them out, but their rulers suffer them not. And these people are without doubt possessed of the greatest enchanters of the world; and yet they regard not magic, and seem to hold it of small account. And one of the greatest of their enchantments is to make chariots to go

without horses, and of these they have great store. Some have bars of iron laid upon the roads to guide them, and they are great chariots, in which any man may travel if he pay the smallest piece of silver of the country; but others they have which are without guides, and these hurtle hither and thither at will, wherefore men call them bubbles. I was myself nigh-hand slain by one of them, whereof the charioteer was a man right felonious and foul, and of an evil savour.

In this city I lodged my company in an inn of incredible bigness, and they call it the hostel of the Empress, though I know neither king nor queen that hath so fair a palace. They make light their houses with certain small bottles of glass, which by their enchantments they fill in an instant with exceeding bright light, which is a great marvel.

And in that land a man may speak with his friend, though he be many leagues distant, if he but say "Hello" to a hole in the wall; and this I have essayed many times, wherefore I know it to be sooth. And many of their arts are the just contrary of ours, for whereas we build our houses of stone, and kindle fires of wood therein, in this land they build very many houses of wood, and burn on their hearths a kind of black stone, which they find in great abundance in the ground. And this I have seen with mine own eyes.

Now it fell on a certain day as I walked abroad in the city that I encountered a youth, very green of countenance, who held in his mouth a burning stick, and smoke issued from his mouth as he were possessed of a fiend from the Pit. And when I drew near to see this marvel, he spake to me and entreated me, saying, "Cut it out!" And when I would have drawn my sword to do his bidding, he made great outcry and fled, and would have called the watch; wherefore I departed from him. And in another place I came upon a great house, having before the gate two cannons of iron, exceeding great; and by the gate stood a tall youth of ruddy countenance, dressed as a soldier, in garments of the colour of dust, and on his helmet he bare a band of black and of red; and from within the house came the noise as it were of a great battle. And I addressed the youth, and he spake me right courteously, and told me they did but exercise with musketoons in this house. And he told me many marvels, hard to believe, namely, that in battle these musketoons would throw a ball many hundreds of yards, and slay ten men arow, and make no smoke withal, so that a man was oft slain before he so much as saw an enemy. And he told me that on a mountain nearby dwelt a great enchanter named Gonzales, who had set up a tall mast, and as he sat at the foot thereof, the winds told him all that happened in that land, yea, and what ships were on the sea many days ere

they were seen of men on the land. And many other things he told me, which I will not here set down, lest I be called a liar; yet the youth was of so pleasant a countenance that I could not think him to be so shameless as to deceive me.

And of what befell on my journey to the city called Terminus you shall learn anon.

R. V. H.



